Sam Stone - Bb chords by John Prine in C Bb Eb Sam Stone came home, And the gold rolled through his veins, to his wife and family, like a thousand railroad trains, after serving in the conflict overseas. and eased his mind in the hours that he chose; And the time that he served, while the kids ran around wearin' other peoples' Eb clothes... had shattered all his nerves, [CHORUS] and left a little shrapnel in his knee. Bb But the morphine eased the pain, Sam Stone was alone, when he popped his last balloon, and the grass grew round his brain, and gave him all the confidence he lacked; climbing walls while sitting in a chair with a Purple Heart and a monkey on his back. Well, he played his last request, [CHORUS] while the room smelled just like death, Bb Cm There's a hole in daddy's arm where all the money with an overdose hovering in the air Eb But life had lost its fun, and Jesus Christ died for nothin' I suppose. and there was nothing to be done, Little pictures have big ears, but trade his house that he bought on the G, I. Bill; don't stop to count the years, for a flag draped casket on a local heroes' hill sweet songs never last too long on broken radios. [CHORUS] Bb Bb Sam Stone's welcome home, Mmm.... didn't last too long, Bb he went to work when he'd spent his last dime And Sammy took to stealing, when he got that empty feeling,

for a hundred dollar habit without overtime.